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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroshi OKAZAKI, et al.
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FOR: FUEL CELL APPARATUS



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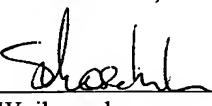
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Responsive to the Office Action of November 29, 2006, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 7 of this paper.

Request for Reconsideration begins on page 8 of this paper.